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ANNUAL REPORT FOR

1945

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HEALTH OF :-

BOROUGH OF HYTHE.

EAST ASHFORD RURAL DISTRICT.

WEST ASHFORD RURAL DISTRICT.

ELHAM RURAL DISTRICT.

W. W. NUTTALL. M. D.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

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## PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF EAST KENT (No3) UNITED DISTRICT.

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W. W. Nuttall M.D.

### CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTORS.

| | |
|---|---|
| Borough of Hythe. | J. Plim. Cert R.S.I. Cert Meat and Foods Inspector. |
| East Ashford R.D.C. | R. Stevenson. Cert A.R.S.I. |
| West Ashford R.D.C. | G. P. Lawrence. A.R.S.I., M.S.I.A., Cert Meat and Foods Inspector. |
| , Additional Sanitary Inspector. | D. Roberts. Cert R.S.I. |
| Elham R.D.C. | E. Badcock. M.R.S.I., M.S.I.A. |

### HEALTH VISITORS.

**Borough of Hythe.**

Mrs Mackie.

**East Ashford R.D.C.**

Mrs Blake.

Miss Martin.

Miss Brocklehurst.

**West Ashford. R.D.C.**

Miss Brocklehurst.
and Miss Wakefield.

**Elham R.D.C.**

Mrs Mackie.

Miss Beckensall.

### CLINICS.

Prospect Road

Ham Street
Orlestone.
Wye
Brabourne
Mersham.
Aldington.
Chilham.

Pluckley
Charing.
Shadoxhurst.

Lyminge
Sellindge.

Swingfield
Elham.

EAST KENT (No. 3) UNITED DISTRICT.
Hythe Borough; East Ashford Rural; Elham Rural
and West Ashford Rural.

I have the honour to present my fifth annual report for the year ending 31st December 1945.

Except for an extensive epidemic of measles, lasting 7 to 8 months, of a mild variety, with no deaths recorded, the Health of the District has been satisfactory.

Contacts of persons with Infectious diseases arriving in the District from abroad are notified by the appropriate authority and kept under observation when possible.

As Medical Officer of Health in charge of the A.R.P. Casualty Services for the Borough of Hythe and the Elham Rural District I should like to express my appreciation for good work done by the whole personel.

The Civil Defence Services terminated in the middle of the year.

Ambulance Facilities. (1). Infectious diseases are conveyed to the various hospitals by the Authority to whose district the case is transferred. (2). Non Infectious cases. Hythe Borough maintains its own Service. The Rural Districts are supplied by the St. John Ambulance Authority. The maternity and Welfare Services are under the Control of the Kent County Council.

Diphtheria. In reference to the Ministry of Health Circular 193/4/45. Hythe Borough. The arrangements previously in force are not altered.

Elham Rural District.
East Ashford Rural District
West Ashford Rural District
} Responsibility for children under five years is placed on the Welfare Authority.

The scheme carried out is that recommended by the British Medical Association except that the session fee is abolished and the remunerations is by inoculation per child plus mileage the Welfare session fee being seperate.

The clinics, and Child Welfare, Tuberculosis and Venereal Centres are under the authority of the Kent County Council.

May I again express my appreciation of the cordial manner which exists between this committee, the Chairmen and members of the four Councils, the Sanitary Inspectors and Dr. Elliott, the County Medical Officer and his staff, and

~~Lem~~,

Yours obediently,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

## HYTHE BOROUGH.

### 1945.

| | |
|---|---|
| Area (In acres) | 3686. |
| Rateable Value. | £92,400. |
| Populations. | 6238. |
| Sum represented by a penny rate. | £335. |

### Vital Statistics.

| Live Births. | Male. | Female. | Rates for England and Wales. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 36 | 62 | |
| Illegitimate. | 2 | 2 | |
| Total | 38 | 64. | |

Live Birth Rate per 1.000 of population = 16.3. 16.1.

| Still Births. | Male. | Female. |
|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 2 | 4 |
| Illegitimate. | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 | 4 |

Still Births.
Rate per 1.000 Total (Live and Still) Births. = 55.5
Rate per 1.000 Population. = .96.

Deaths.
Death Rate per 1.000 of population = M,44 F,53 =97=15.5 11.4

| Deaths from Puerperal Causes. | Deaths. | Rate per 1.000 Live and Still Births. |
|---|---|---|
| Puerperal Sepsis. | 0 | |
| Other Maternal Causes. | 0 | |
| | 0 | |

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age.

| | | England and Wales. |
|---|---|---|
| All infants per 1.000 Live Births = | 0 | |
| Legitimate Infants per 1.000 legitimate live births = | 0 | |
| Illegitimate Infants per 1.000 illegitimate live births= | 0 | 46. |

| | = | Male. | Female. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deaths from Influenza. | = | 0 | 0 | .08 |
| " " Cancer. | = | 8 | 13 | |
| " " Measles. | = | 0 | 0 | .0[illegible] |
| " " Whooping Cough. | = | 0 | 0 | .03 |
| " " Diarrhoea. (under 3 years of age.) | = | 0 | 0 | .6. |

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# HYTHE.

## 1945.

## TUBERCULOSIS.

| Age Periods. | New Cases. Pulmonary. M. | New Cases. Pulmonary. F. | New Cases. Non Pulmonary. M. | New Cases. Non Pulmonary. F. | Deaths. Pulmonary. M. | Deaths. Pulmonary. F. | Deaths. Non Pulmonary. M. | Deaths. Non Pulmonary. F. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | | | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 10. | | | | | | | | |
| 15. | | 3 | | | | | | |
| 20. | | | | 1 | | | | |
| 25. | 1 | | | | 2 | | | |
| 35. | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 45. | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 55. | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 65. and over | 1 | | | | 1 | | | |
| Total. | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Total number of cases on the Register at 31.12.45.

| | Pulmonary. M. | Pulmonary. F. | Non Pulmonary M. | Non Pulmonary F. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Numbers for 1945. | 24. | 11. | 4. | 3. | 42. |
| " " 1944. | 22. | 12. | 3. | 2. | 39. |
| " " 1943. | 13. | 11. | 2. | 2. | 28. |
| " " 1942. | 10. | 11. | 1. | 3. | 25. |

## HITHE BOROUGH.

### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children who were completely immunised during 1945.

| Under 5. | 5 - 15 | Total. |
|---|---|---|
| 104 | 17 | 121. |

At the end of the Christmas term 1945, all the children attending the schools in the Borough had been immunised, i.e., 100%.

There was one notification of Diphtheria in a young woman aged 16 years who had been immunised in 1940, which was contracted in a holiday camp, a mild case, she was in hospital only 21 days, probably the result of the previous inoculations.

### VENERAL DISEASE.

No notifications received.

### SCABIES.

17 cases notified, the majority being visitors living in the same premises, they received adequate attention and were returned cured.

### NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1945.
Civilian population only.

| Diseases. | Total Cases Notified. | Cases Admitted to Hospital. | Total Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Smallpox. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever . | 21. | 20. | 0 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid). | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acute Polio encephalitis. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia. | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Erysipelas. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Measles. | 86 | 0 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough. | 11. | 0 | 0 |
| Total. | 123. | 21. | 0 |

## CAUSES OF DEATH IN HYTHE BOROUGH. DURING YEAR 1945.

| All Causes. | Males. | Female. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Paratyphoid and typhoid fevers. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Cerebro-spinal fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Scarlet Fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Diphtheria. | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Tuberculosis of respiratory system. | 4 | 0 |
| 7. Other forms of Tuberculosis. | 0 | 0 |
| 8. Syphilitic. | 1 | 0 |
| 9. Influenza. | 0 | 0 |
| 0. Measles. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Acute Poliomelitis and Polioencephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Acute Infective Encephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Cancer of the Buccal Cavity and oesophagus. (m) uterus | 1 | 1 |
| 4. Cancer of stomach, and the duodenum. (f) | 0 | 3 |
| 5. Cancer of the breast. | 0 | 4 |
| 6. Cancer of all other sites. | 7 | 5 |
| 7. Diabetes. | 0 | 0 |
| 8. Inter-cranial vascular lesions. | 6 | 11 |
| 9. Heart Disease. | 13 | 19 |
| 0. Other diseases of the circulatory system. | 0 | 1 |
| 1. Bronchitis. | 2 | 1 |
| 2. Pneumonia. | 1 | 1 |
| 3. Other Respiratory Diseases. | 1 | 0 |
| 4. Ulcer of Stomach or duodenum. | 2 | 0 |
| 5. Diarrhoe (under 2 years) | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Appendicitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 7. Other digestive diseases. | 0 | 1 |
| 8. Nephritis. | 1 | 1 |
| 9. Puerperal and Post-obortive sepsis. | 0 | 0 |
| 0. Other maternal causes. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Premature birth. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Congenital Malformation (Birth injuries). (Infantile diseases) | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Suicide. | 1 | 0 |
| 4. Road Traffic Accidents. | 1 | 0 |
| 5. Other Violent causes. | 0 | 1 |
| 6. All other causes. | 4 | 4 |
| Total. | 44 | 53 |

## HYTHE BOROUGH 1945.

### WATER SUPPLY.

102 Bacteriological samples and 18 Chemical samples have been taken during theyear. All samples were satisfactory except
1 from West Hythe Spring
1 from Town Spring.

All water is chlorinted. Additional bulk supplies were purchased and sold during the year.

| | Bacteriological Examinations. | Chemical Examinations. |
|---|---|---|
| No. From public supplies. | 98 | 18 |
| No. from private supplies. | 4 | 0 |
| Total | 102 | 18 |

97.5 dwelling houses are supplied from the public mains direct to houses. There is no plumbo solvent action.
Extension of mains= Nil.
There is one standpipe at Palmarsh Estate, the water is satisfactory in quantity and quality.

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### HOUSES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY ENEMY ACTION.

| | Total. | Rebuilt or repaired to 31/12/45. |
|---|---|---|
| a. Totally destroyed. | 14 | - |
| b. To be demolished. | 44 | - |
| c. (a) Seriously damaged (evacuated). | 81 | 69 |
| (b) Seriously damaged. (occupied). | 326 | 326 |
| d. Slightly damaged. | 4406 | 4332 by Local Authority. |

## EAST ASHFORD.

Area ( In acres). 51,398.

Rateable Value. £39,847.

Population. 8,187.

Sum represented by a penny rate. £168.

### Vital Statistics.

| Live Births. | Male | Female. | Rates for England and Wales. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 70 | 57 | |
| Illegitimate. | 5 | 7 | |
| Total. | 75 | 64. | |

Live Birth Rate per 1.000 of population. = 16.9 16.1.

| Still Births. | Male | Female. |
|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 2 | 0 |
| Illegitimate. | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 | 0 |

Still Births.
Rate per 1,000 total (Live and Still) Births. = 14.2
Rate per 1,000 Population. = .24

Deaths.
Death Rate per 1,000 of population= M 60 F 47 = 107
=13.1 11.4

| Deaths from Puerperal Causes. | Deaths. | Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births. |
|---|---|---|
| Puerperal Sepsis. | 0 | |
| Other Maternal Causes. | 0 | |
| Total | 0 | |

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age. England and Wales.

All infants per 1,000 Live Births. = 43. 46.
Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births = 47. "
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births = 0 "

| | | Male | Female. | | England & Wales. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deaths from Influenza. | = | 0 | 1 | .12 | .08 |
| Deaths from Cancer. | = | 8 | 7 | | .02 |
| Deaths from Measles | = | 0 | 0 | | .02 |
| Deaths from Whooping Cough. | = | 0 | 0 | | .02 |
| Deaths from Diarrhoe. | = | 0 | 0 | | |
| (under 2 years ofage) | = | 0 | 1 | 7.2 | 5.6. |

## EAST ASHFORD.

1945.

TUBERCULOSIS.

| Age Periods. | New Cases. | | | | Deaths. | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pulmonary. | | Non Pulmonary. | | Pulmonary. | | NonPulmonary. | |
| | M. | F | M. | F | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 0. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. | | | | | | | 1 | |
| 5. | | | | 1 | | | | |
| 10. | | | | | | | | |
| 15. | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 20. | | 1 | | | | | | |
| 25. | | | | | | | | |
| 35. | | | | | | | | |
| 45. | 1 | | | | 1 | | | |
| 55. | | | | | | | | |
| 65. and over | 1 | | | | | | | |
| Total. | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

Total number of cases on the Register at 31.12.45.

| | Pulmonary. | | Non Pulmonary. | | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | |
| East Ashford. | 11 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 39 |
| Numbers for 1944. | 8 | 9 | 11 | 3 | 31 |
| Numbers for 1943. | 5 | 11 | 8 | 3 | 27 |
| Numbers for 1942. | 5 | 5 | 9 | 5 | 24. |

## EAST ASHFORD 1945.
## DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children who were completely immunised during 1945

| Under 5. | 5 - 15 | Total. |
|---|---|---|
| 127. | 15 | 142. |

There are 12 schools in the district showing a percentage of 94.6 completely immunised children.
Three cases of Diphtheria were notified during 1945.
One civilian from a Hopper Camp aged 19 years, not immunised
Two Army cases.

SCABIES. Two notifications.

VENEREAL DISEASE. Nil.

## REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES (Sections 187-194) of the PUBLIC HOMES ACT 1936.

| Homes on the Register at the end of 1945. | No. of Beds provided. Maternity. | Others. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 3 | 0 | 3 |

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1945.
(civilian population only).

| Diseases. | Total Cases Notified. | Cases Admitted to Hospital. | Total Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Small pox. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria. | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever | 11 | 11 | 0 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia. | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acute Folio encephalitis. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia. | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Erysipelas. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Measles | 234 | 1 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 255 | 18 | 2 |

## CAUSES OF DEATH EAST ASHFORD.

1945.

| All Causes. | Males | Females. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Paratyphoid and typhoid fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Cerebro-spinal fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Scarlet Fever, | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Diphtheria. | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Tuberculosis of respiratory system. | 2 | 1 |
| 7. Other forms of Tuberculosis. | 1 | 0 |
| 8. Syphilitic. | 0 | 0 |
| 9. Influenza. | 0 | 1 |
| 10. Measles. | 0 | 0 |
| 11. Acute Polimelitis and Polioencephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 12. Acute Infective Encephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 13. Cancer of the Buccal Cavity and oesophagus. (m) uterus (f) | 1 | 0 |
| 14. Cancer of stomach and the duodenum. | 3 | 2 |
| 15. Cancer of the breast. | 0 | 0 |
| 16. Cancer of all other sites. | 4 | 5 |
| 17. Diabetes. | 0 | 0 |
| 18. Inter-cranial vascular lesions. | 7 | 5 |
| 19. Heart Disease. | 20 | 12 |
| 20. Other disease of the circulatory system. | 0 | 5 |
| 21. Bronchitis. | 3 | 2 |
| 22. Pneumonia. | 1 | 3 |
| 23. Other Respiratory Diseases. | 3 | 1 |
| 24. Ulcer of Stomach or duodenum. | 1 | 1 |
| 25. Diarrhoe (under 2 years) | 0 | 1 |
| 26. Appendicitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 27. Other digestive diseases. | 1 | 0 |
| 28. Nephritis. | 1 | 2 |
| 29. Puerperal and Post-abortive sepsis. | 0 | 0 |
| 30. Other maternal causes. | 0 | 0 |
| 31. Premature birth. | 1 | 0 |
| 32. Congenital Malformation (Birth injuries, Infantile diseases). | 3 | 0 |
| 33. Suicide. | 1 | 0 |
| 34. Road Traffic Accidents. | 2 | 0 |
| 35. Other Violent Causes. | 0 | 1 |
| 36. All other causes. | 6 | 7 |
| Total. | 60 | 47 |

## EAST ASHFORD. HOP PICKERS REPORT.

Dane Court, Chilham. Five new hopper huts and the reconstruction of a large cookhouse has been undertaken.
These huts are of Woodframe, corrugated iron construction with concrete floors etc. in conformity with the Councils Bye Laws.

Soles Street Farm, Chilham. The erection of 16 hopper huts is proceeding in accordance with proposal previously approved by the Council. There is some delay owing to scarcity of getting material.
Howletts Farm, Shottendon, Chilham in the occupation of Mr E.J. Colthup. The recent erection of 18 new woodframe, corrugated iron hopper huts, two new cookhouses and additional closet accomodation without the previous submission of plans notice or information to the Council as requested in conformity with the Councils Bye Laws Town Planning Regulations etc., although of good materials and workmanship the huts and cook houses were not of the best and most modern design as recommended and illustrated in the Ministry of Healths booklet entitled "Hop Pickers Camp" and particularly as to the absence of proper and permanent means of ventilation.
The matter is still under our observation.

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SCAVENGING. The service for the collection of dry house refuse once monthly, is being extended to every parish of the Rural district. At the end of 1945 contracts covering more than three quarters of the Rural District were already in operation for the collection of House refuse.

EAST ASHFORD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

1945.

WATER.

| PARISH. | Houses connected with Mid-Kent Water Company Mains. |
|---|---|
| Aldington | 139 |
| Bilsington | 60 |
| Bonnington | 25 |
| Boughton Aluph | 147 |
| Brabourne | 145 |
| Brook | 46 |
| Challock | 109 |
| Chilham | 315 |
| Crundale | 34 |
| Eastwell | 15 |
| Godmersham | 72 |
| Hastingleigh | 54 |
| Mersham | 117 |
| Molash | 56 |
| Orlestone | 114 |
| Ruckinge | 136 |
| Smeeth | 139 |
| Warehorne | 78 |
| Wye | 320 |

Houses connected to Ashford Urban District Council main.

| Houses | | |
|---|---|---|
| Hinxhill | Houses 11 | Population 38 |
| Sevington | " 34 | " 119 |

Bacteriological Analyses of the water supply from the Ashford Urban District Council are taken quarterly both from the mains and at source.

Chemical and Bacteriological reports are very good.

Chlorination takes place at source.

Supplies to properties in this area are direct from the mains.

Smeeth Plain. The Elham Valley Water Company supply eight properties.

The Mid-Kent Water Company have Monthly Bacteriological examinations of the raw water taken from each of their Pumping Stations.
All water is chlorinated.
Particulars of the examinations and analyses are supplied.
There has been no form of contaminations.
The quantity and quality are satisfactory.
There is no plumbo solvent action.
All water is supplied direct to houses.

HOUSES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY ENEMY ACTION.

| | Total | Rebuilt or Repaired to 31/12/45. |
|---|---|---|
| A. Totally destroyed | 11 | 0 |
| B. To be demolished | 16 | 0 |
| C. a. Seriously damaged (usable) | 112 | 112 |
| b. Seriously damaged (evacuated) | 18 | 18 |
| D. Slightly damaged. | 1648 | 1648 |
| | 1805 | |

## WEST ASHFORD RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

### 1945.

| | |
|---|---|
| Area (In acres) | 39,455 |
| Rateable Value. | £38,149 |
| Population. | 8,051 |
| Sum represented by a penny rate | £161. 16. 0. |

**Vital Statistics.**

| Live Births. | Male. | Female. | Rates for England and Wales. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 62 | 55 | |
| Illegitimate. | 8 | 10 | |
| Total | 70 | 65 | |

Live Birth Rate per 1,000 of population = 16.3 — 16.1.

| Still Births. | Male. | Female. |
|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 2 | 0 |
| Illegitimate. | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 | 0 |

**Still Births.**
Rate per 1,000 Total (Live and Still) Births. = 14.6
Rate per 1,000 Population. = .35

**Deaths.**
Death Rate per 1,000 of population = M,50 F,47 = 97 =12. 11.4

| Deaths from Puerperal Causes. | Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births. |
|---|---|---|
| Puerperal Sepsis. | 0 | |
| Other Maternal Causes. | 0 | |
| Total | 0 | |

**Death Rate of Infants under one year of age.**

| | | England and Wales. |
|---|---|---|
| All infants per 1,000 Live Births = 59 | | 46 |
| Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births = 59 | | - |
| Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births = 55 | | - |

| | Male | Female. | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Deaths from Influenza | 0 | 1 | .13 | .08 |
| Deaths from Cancer | 7 | 9 | | - |
| Deaths from Measles | 0 | 0 | | .02 |
| Deaths from Whooping Cough | 0 | 0 | | .02 |
| Deaths from Diarrhoea (Under 2 years of age) | 2 | 0 | 14.8 | 5.6 |

## WEST ASHFORD.

### TUBERCULOSIS. 1945.

| Age Periods. | New Cases. Pulmonary. M. | F. | Non Pulmonary. M. | F. | Deaths. Pulmonary. M. | F. | Non Pulmonary. M. | F. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | | | | | | | | |
| 10. | | | | | | | | |
| 15. | | | | | | | | |
| 20. | | 1 | | | | | | |
| 25. | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 35. | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | |
| 45. | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 55. | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 65. | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| and over | | | | | | | | |
| Total. | 7 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Total Number of cases on the Register at 31.12.45.

| West Ashford | Pulmonary. M. | F. | Non Pulmonary. M. | F. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Numbers for 1944. | 11 | 19 | 8 | 5 | 43 |
| Numbers for 1943. | 12 | 18 | 7 | 4 | 41 |
| Numbers for 1942. | 15 | 17 | 2 | 6 | 40. |
| Numbers for 1945. | 17 | 25 | 8 | 5 | 55. |

WEST ASHFORD.

1945.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children who were completely immunised during 1945.

| Under 5. | 5 - 15. | Total. |
|---|---|---|
| 84 | 20 | 104. |

There are 11 schools in the District showing a percentage of 98 completely immunised children. Six of the schools have 100%

DIPHTHERIA. Two isolated cases were notified, one in a female aged 30, the other in a child aged 6 years, who had been immunised three years previously had a mild attack.

SCABIES. Five cases were notified by Medical Practitioners but all suspected cases are investigated and appropriate action taken.

VENEREAL DISEASE No notifications received.

SCAVENGING. The service for the collection of dry refuse monthly is being inaugurated for all parishes.

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NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1945.
(civilian population only).

| Diseases. | Total Cases Notified. | Cases Admitted to Hospital. | Total Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Small pox. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria. | 3 | 2 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever. | 6 | 5 | 0 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid). | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acute Polio encephalitis. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia. | 9 | 3 | 1 |
| Erysipelas. | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| Measles. | 160 | 1 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough. | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Total. | 188 | 14 | 1 |

WEST ASHFORD.

1945.

CAUSES OF DEATH.

| All Causes. | Males. | Females. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Paratyphoid and typhoid fevers. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Cerebro-spinal fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Scarlet fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Diphtheria. | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Tuberculosis of respiratory system. | 3 | 1 |
| 7. Other forms of Tuberculosis. | 0 | 0 |
| 8. Syphilitic. | 1 | 0 |
| 9. Influenza. | 0 | 1 |
| 0. Measles. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Acute Poliomelitis and Polioencephalitis | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Acute Infective Encephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Cancer of the Buccal Cavity and oesophagus. | 0 | 0 |
| (m) uterus (f). | | |
| 4. Cancer of stomach and the duodenum. | 1 | 1 |
| 5. Cancer of the breast. | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Cancer of all other sites. | 6 | 8 |
| 7. Diabetes. | 0 | 1 |
| 8. Inter-cranial vascular lesions. | 5 | 7 |
| 9. Heart Disease. | 14 | 13 |
| 0. Other diseases of the circulatory system. | 1 | 1 |
| 1. Bronchitis. | 1 | 2 |
| 2. Pneumonia. | 1 | 2 |
| 3. Other Respiratory Diseases. | 0 | 1 |
| 4. Ulcer of Stomach and duodenum. | 1 | 0 |
| 5. Diarrhoea (under 2 years) | 2 | 0 |
| 6. Appendicitis. | 1 | 0 |
| 7. Other digestive diseases. | 0 | 3 |
| 8. Nephritis. | 0 | 1 |
| 9. Puerperal and post-obertive sepsis. | 0 | 0 |
| 0. Other maternal causes. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Premature birth. | 4 | 0 |
| 2. Congenital Malformation (Birth injuries. Infantile diseases). | 1 | 0 |
| 3. Suicide. | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Road Traffic Accidents. | 2 | 0 |
| 5. Other Violent Causes. | 1 | 0 |
| 6. All other causes. | 5 | 5 |
| Total | 50 | 47. |

## WEST ASHFORD. 1945.

### WATER.

The Mid Kent Water Company have kindly supplied the following for the West Ashford Rural District.

| Parish. | Houses. | Metres. | Houses in Parish by 1931 Census. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bethersden. | 268 | 56 | 263. |
| Charing. | 415. | 76 | 378 |
| Egerton. | 133 | 23 | 193 |
| Great Chart. | 94 | 37 | 168 |
| Hothfield. | 43 | 14 | 77 |
| Kingsnorth. | 214 | 24 | 164 |
| Little Chart. | 84 | 21 | 86 |
| Pluckley. | 231 | 50 | 195 |
| Shadoxhurst. | 143 | 13 | 131 |
| Smarden. | 258 | 42 | 261. |
| Westwell. | 234 | 47 | 241. |
| | 2.107 | 403 | 2.145. |

Monthly Bacteriological examinations are made of the raw water from each of our Pumping Stations and all water is chlorinated.
Particulars of Bacteriological examinations and Chemical Analyses are forwarded constantly showing no form of contamination.
All water is supplied direct to houses none by means of standpipes in the roads.
The water supply is satisfactory in quality and quantity.
The Local Authority takes samples, all have been satisfactory.
There is no Plumbo Soluent action. Lead piping is not used nor is the there any contamination.

Number of houses supplied. 2,107.
Number of houses in the District. 2,662.
Population of district. (1937 estimate) 9.350.
Head of population served with main water supply 8,428.*

* This figure is obtained by taking an average of four people per house.

### HOUSES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY ENEMY ACTION.

| | Total | Rebuilt or repaired to 31/12/45. |
|---|---|---|
| a. Totally destroyed. | 5 | Nil |
| b. To be demolished. | 10 | Nil |
| c (a). Seriously damaged. | 10 | 5 |
| c (b). Seriously damaged (occupied) | 9 | 9 |
| d. Slightly damaged. | 1499 | 1491. |

Note. In addition to the above properties. 4 houses have been demolished by the military to make space in connection with temporary air fields.

## ELHAM RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL. 1945.

Area ( In acres) 36,758.

Rateable Value. £53,087.

Population. 7,356.

Sum represented by a penny rate. £198.

### Vital Statistics.

| Live Births. | Male. | Female. | Rates for England & Wales. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate. | 45 | 61 | |
| Illegitimate. | 0 | 5 | |
| Total | 45 | 66. | |

Live Birth Rate per 1,000 of population. = 15 . 1. 16.1.

Still Births.
Rate per 1,000 Total (Live and Still) Births = 17.7.
Rate per 1,000 Population. = .27.

Deaths
Death Rate per 1,000 of population = M,51 F,68 = 119 = 16.2 11.4

| Deaths from Puerperal Causes. | Deaths | Rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births. |
|---|---|---|
| Puerperal Sepsis. | 0 | |
| Other Maternal Causes. | 0 | |
| Total. | 0 | |

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age. England & Wales.

All infants per 1,000 Live Births=(Total M,2. F,1.) Legitimate. M,1 } 46
~~M,2.~~ 27 ( M. F.1. M,1. F,0. Illegitimate. }

Legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births= 19 -

Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births = 200 -

| | Male | Female. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Death from Influenza. | — | — | .08 |
| " " Cancer. | 4 | 10 | - |
| " " Measles. | 0 | 0 | .02 |
| " " Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 | .02 |
| " " Diarrhoea. (under 2 years of age). | 0 | 0 | 5.6 |

## ELHAM RURAL DISTRICT. 1945.

### TUBERCULOSIS.

| Age Periods. | New Cases. Pulmonary. M. | New Cases. Pulmonary. F. | New Cases. Non Pulmonary. M. | New Cases. Non Pulmonary. F. | Deaths. Pulmonary. M. | Deaths. Pulmonary. F. | Deaths. Non Pulmonary. M. | Deaths. Non Pulmonary. F. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | | | | | | | | |
| 1. | | | | 1 | | | | |
| 5. | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 10. | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 15. | | | | | | | | |
| 20. | 2 | 3 | | | | 1 | | |
| 25. | 2 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| 35. | 3 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 45. | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | | |
| 55. | | | | | 1 | | | |
| 65. and over | | | | | | | | |
| Total. | 9 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 1 |

Total Number of cases on the Register at 31/12/45.

| | Pulmonary. M. | Pulmonary. F. | Non Pulmonary. M. | Non Pulmonary. F. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Elham. | 22 | 12 | 1 | 7 | 42 |
| Numbers for 1944. | 14 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 30 |
| Numbers for 1943. | 12 | 9 | 2 | 4 | 27 |
| Numbers for 1942. | 12 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 26. |

## ELHAM RURAL DISTRICT. 1945.

### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

The number of children who were completely immunised during 1945.

| Under 5. | 5 - 15. | Total. |
|---|---|---|
| 142. | 13 | 155. |

No cases of Diphtheria were notified.
There are 18 schools in the District, eight show 100% of the children completely immunised , with an average of 98.6%

**SCABIES.** One notification was received.

**VENEREAL DISEASE.** None notified.

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### NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1945.
(Civilian Population only).

| Diseases. | Total Cases Notified | Cases Admitted to hospital. | Total Deaths. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Smallpox. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Diphtheria. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Scarlet Fever. | 13 | 11 | 0 |
| Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid). | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Puerperal Pyrexia. | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| Cerebro Spinal Fever. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Acute Polio [illegible] encephalitis. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pneumonia. | 5 | 3 | 0 |
| Erysipelas. | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| Measles. | 280. | 0 | 0 |
| Whooping Cough. | 7 | 0 | 0 |
| Total. | 312. | 17. | 0 |

## ELHAM RURAL DISTRICT. 1945.

### CAUSES OF DEATH.

| All Causes. | Males | Females. |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Paratyphoid and typhoid fevers. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Cerebro-spinal fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Scarlet Fever. | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Whooping Cough. | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Diptheria. | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Tuberculosis of respiratory system. | 2 | 3 |
| 7. Other forms of tuberculosis. | 0 | 1 |
| 8. Syphilitic. | 0 | 0 |
| 9. Influenza. | 0 | 0 |
| 0. Measles. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Acute Poliomelitis and Polioencephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Acute Infective Encephalitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Cancer of the Buccal Cavity and oesophagus. | | |
| (m) uterus (f) | 0 | 1 |
| 4. Cancer of the stomach and the duodenum. | 3 | 1 |
| 5. Cancer of the breast. | 0 | 2 |
| 6. Cancer of all other sites. | 1 | 6 |
| 7. Diabetes. | 0 | 1 |
| 8. Inter-cranial vascular lesions. | 5 | 5 |
| 9. Heart Disease. | 21 | 25 |
| 0. Other diseases of the circulatory system. | 2 | 2 |
| 1. Bronchitis. | 3 | 1 |
| 2. Pneumonia. | 3 | 2 |
| 3. Other Respiratory Diseases. | 0 | 1 |
| 4. Ulcer of Stomach or duodenum. | 1 | 1 |
| 5. Diarrhoe (under 2 years). | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Appendicitis. | 0 | 0 |
| 7. Other digestive diseases. | 1 | 5 |
| 8. Nephritis. | 0 | 1 |
| 9. Puerperal and Post-abortive sepsis. | 0 | 0 |
| 0. Other Maternal causes. | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Premature Birth. | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Congenital Malformation (Birth Injuries Infantile diseases). | 0 | 1 |
| 3. Suicide. | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Road Traffic Accidents. | 1 | 1 |
| 5. Other Violent Causes. | 1 | 1 |
| 6. All other causes. | 7 | 7 |
| Total. | 51. | 68. |